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EXCERPTS FROM LARRY MEADE DEPOSITION

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- will say I need an audible answer.
- 2 A. I understand.
- 3 Q. So when I say that that's what it means.
- 4 A. I understand.
- 5 Q. Mr. Meade, I'd like to call your attention to
- 6 March 2nd, 2003, which I believe was a Sunday.
- 7 Did you or were you on that day at anytime at
- 8 Valerie Wakefield's home?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. How did you come to be there?
- 11 A. I left my house going to the Franklin Hospital.
- I am a volunteer fireman. I was going to the
- Franklin Hospital to pick up equipment, like
- collars, neck collars and stuff that we would use
- for an auto accident and that's close to their
- house. I thought I would drive over and see how
- they were doing.
- 18 | Q. Did you call ahead of time?
- 19 A. No, I did not.
- 20 Q. Can you, in your own words, tell us exactly what
- happened when you got there?
- 22 A. When I pulled into the driveway, Valerie was
- getting groceries out of the pick-up truck.
- 24 Q. Then what?
- 25 A. I asked her how she was doing, she said -- she

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- 1 acted kind of not shy, but awkward. I said, is
- Harold here. She said, no, he isn't. 2
- 3 okay.
- I want to interrupt you for a minute. 4
- 5 conversation occurred outside of the Wakefield
- 6 residence?
- 7 Α. Yes.
- 8 She was getting groceries, you said, correct? Ο.
- 9 Α. Groceries out of the truck.
- And you said she seemed awkward? 10 Ο.
- 11 That I was there.
- What did that mean? When you say awkward, how 12 Ο.
- 13 did you know that she was -- what did she show
- 14 you?
- 15 She just didn't seem real friendly.
- 16 Ο. She did not seem friendly?
- 17 Α. No.
- And you asked her what? 18 Ο.
- I asked her if Harold was here too. 19 Α.
- 20 Q. And she said?
- 21 She said no. Α.
- 22 Ο. Then what happened?
- I guess I needed to talk to her about -- when I 23
- 24 had been to the hospital, I wasn't planning on
- 25 going to their house. When I got up there and

1 picking up the collars and everything like that 2 it brought back memories of losing my son and 3 seeing him and all that. I guess I needed to 4 talk to somebody and knew they were close and 5 knew what had happened. So I drove up there and 6 when he was not there I didn't want to stay 7 there.

- 8 Q. All right. So that was the end of the 9 conversation?
- 10 I was upset because she didn't want to talk 11 I knew she didn't want to talk. I made a 12 comment that -- I was very down and upset. 13 made a comment that the next place you'll see me was at Morrison's. 14
- 15 Q. What did that mean?
- 16 That's where my son was laid to rest. Α.
- When you said that to her what did you mean? 17 Ο.
- 18 Α. I was just very upset.
- What did that mean that you were going to commit 19 Ο. 20 suicide, is that what you were saying?
- 21 No. I was just very depressed.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- I needed to talk to someone. 23
- 24 To start with you were at the Franklin Hospital 25 at what time?